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MAN HASN'T SLEPT FOR FOURTEEN MONTHS---INSOMNIA RECORD

Astonishing Case Found in Pennsylvania—Doctors Puzzled by Man Who Cannot Sleep and Says He Hasn't for Four Hundred Days and Nights— Savants Call Sleep a Mystery

Duquesne, Pa., Feb. 6.—These weary eyes have not closed in sleep in over 400 consecutive days and nights! And yet Michael Youhouse, skilled electric craneman, and whose eyes these are, is going to work daily—apparently in perfect health! He says he has never in the last 14 months enjoyed a moment of slumber. Youhouse has lived in Duquesne, Pa., all his life.

Doctors, hopelessly puzzled, are trying to learn what could have been the contents of the mysterious potion of sleeplessness which brought Youhouse into this strange condition. He himself says it was composed of a mixture of wine, whisky, beer and other ingredients that he couldn't dis-

tinguish. He drank it at a great Christmas celebration a year ago last December. It was offered him, he says, by a rival to the hand of his sweetheart. He drank it all down on a dare.

"It felt like boiling lead in my stomach," he says. "When I went home that night I couldn't sleep a wink. And not for one moment since then have I closed my eyes to slumber. For nearly 14 months, with a torturing turmoil of wakefulness in my brain, I have gone about my work as usual. People think I cannot be suffering because I look so well. But I am.

"You wouldn't believe it would be such horrible torture just to stay awake night and day, night and day, all the time. Thoughts and worries keep jumping through my head without a moment's rest and seem to sai